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The House met at 4 p.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. WITTMAN).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,
March 14, 2023.

I hereby appoint the Honorable ROBERT J. WITTMAN to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

KEVIN MCCARTHY,
Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Margaret Grun Kibben, offered the following prayer:

O Lord, our God, You are above, before, behind, and around us, guarding us from all sides. You have shown time and again You care for us as a shepherd cares for each sheep, as a parent loves a child.

Thank You for the rest You offer us from time to time: The peace You give us as we walk in the canopy of color emerging from the budding trees, the guidance You offer as You lead us to streams of clear spring water.

Because of You, we enjoy the abundance of life. The bounty and blessings that You provide for us are beyond our wildest imaginings.

Teach us then how to walk with You in righteousness. Though so much around us threatens to overwhelm or overtake us, remain beside us that we would be encouraged by Your presence, strengthened by Your provision, and assured of Your protection.

May we never doubt or overlook Your goodness and mercy. But on this day and throughout our lives, allow us to live in the welcome and shelter of Your love.

In Your hallowed name we pray.
Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 3(z) of House Resolution 5, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE

A message from the Senate by Ms. Byrd, one of its clerks, announced that the Senate pursuant to Public Law 101-509, the Chair, on behalf of the Secretary of the Senate, announces the appointment of the following individual to serve as a member of the Advisory Committee on the Records of Congress: Tanya Marshall of Vermont.

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE JOHN F. KENNEDY CENTER FOR THE PERFORMING ARTS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 2(a) of the National Cultural Center Act (20 U.S.C. 76h(a)), amended by Public Law 107-117, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Trustees of the John F. Kennedy Center for the Performing Arts:

Mr. MCCAUL, Texas
Ms. LETLOW, Louisiana

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO HOUSE DEMOCRACY PARTNERSHIP

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to section 4(b) of House Resolution 5, One Hundred Eighteenth Congress, and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members to the House Democracy Partnership:

Mr. SMITH, Nebraska
Mr. LAHOOD, Illinois
Mr. KELLY, Pennsylvania
Mr. DUNN, Florida
Mr. FITZPATRICK, Pennsylvania
Mr. KUSTOFF, Tennessee
Mr. HERN, Oklahoma
Mr. STEIL, Wisconsin
Ms. TENNEY, New York
Mrs. LUNA, Florida

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO THE UNITED STATES NAVAL ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 10 U.S.C. 8468(a), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Members on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Naval Academy:

Mr. ELLZEY, Texas
Mr. C. SCOTT FRANKLIN, Florida

APPOINTMENT OF MEMBER TO BOARD OF VISITORS TO THE UNITED STATES MERCHANT MARINE ACADEMY

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair announces the Speaker's appointment, pursuant to 46 U.S.C. 51312(b), and the order of the House of January 9, 2023, of the following Member on the part of the House to the Board of Visitors to the United States Merchant Marine Academy:

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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